

In the claims:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 the following is a complete listing of the claims of the present application:

1-9. (canceled)

10. (canceled)

11. (new) A purified Human Mannan-Binding Protein (hMBP) wherein the hMBP possesses anti-Influenza virus activity and has a domain structure comprising a collagen region consisting of two units of the amino acid sequence Gly-Xaa-Xaa, a neck region of native conglutinin, and a carbohydrate recognition domain (CRD) of native conglutinin.

12. (new) The purified hMBP according to claim 11, wherein said anti-Influenza virus activity is determined by the method comprising the steps of:

(a) preparing virus(es)-infected cells by culturing cells in the presence of Influenza virus;

(b) presenting the virus(es)-infected cells in presence or absence of the hMBP according to claim 11;

(c) comparing gross area of virus(es)-infected focus formed in the presence of the hMBP with that formed in the absence of the hMBP; and

(d) evaluating from the comparison results in step (c) an inhibition level by the hMBP on budding of Influenza virus in said virus(es)-infected cells.

13. (new) The purified hMBP according to claim 11 or 12 which is produced by the method comprising the steps of:

(a) amplifying a fragment of native conglutinin cDNA via polymerase chain reaction using two primers consisting of the nucleotide sequences set out in SEQ ID NOs: 4 and 5;

(b) digesting the fragment with the restriction enzymes of XhoI and EcoRI;

(c) inserting the digested fragment into a vector;

- (d) transforming the vector into a host cell;
- (e) incubating the transformed host cell in an appropriate medium;
- (f) infecting the incubated hosts with phage; and
- (g) collecting the hMBP from the phage-infected host cell.

14. (new) The purified hMBP according to claim 13 wherein said vector is pRSET-A.

15. (new) The purified hMBP according to claim 13 wherein said host is *Escherichia coli*.

16. (new) The purified hMBP according to claim 15 wherein said *Escherichia coli* is *Escherichia coli* JM109.

17. (new) The purified hMBP according to claim 13 wherein said phage is M13/T7.